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SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATION AT UNGA AND SEATO
COUNCIL

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1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES POLITICAL EXIGENCY WHICH CON-
FRONTS PM WHITLAM ON PRICE CONTROL BILL. WE UNDERSTAND
THAT GOA OFFICIALS WHO ARE PARLIAMENTARIANS HAVE BEEN
RECALLED TO CANBERRA FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD. AS YOU ARE
AWARE, HOWEVER, COUNCIL MEETING WAS SET TO COINCIDE WITH
UNGA IN ORDER TO ASSURE MINISTERIAL LEVEL REPRESENTATION
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BY GOA AND GNZ. WE UNDERSTAND THAT, THOUGH WILLESEE

STILL HOPES TO ARRIVE IN NEW YORK AFTERNOON OF JULY 27
IN ORDER ATTEND BOTH THURSDAY EVENING WORKING DINNER AND
FRIDAY COUNCIL MEETING, FURTHER DELAY OR CANCELLATION
REMAIN POSSIBILITIES.

2. AS WE AND OTHER SEATO NATIONS ATTACH IMPORTANCE TO HIGH
LEVEL AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPATION, BELIEVE YOU SHOULD MAKE
DEMARCHÉ TO APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF GOA EMPHASIZING OUR
CONCERN. BELIEVE THAT SPIRIT OF COMPROMISE AND MUTUAL
GIVE-AND-TAKE WHICH HAS CHARACTERIZED SEATO MEMBER
DELIBERATIONS THIS PAST YEAR WOULD BE SERIOUSLY IMPAIRED
BY FAILURE GOA TO BE APPROPRIATELY REPRESENTED AT MEETING.

(FYI - IF MINISTERIAL LEVEL REPRESENTATION IS NOT
POSSIBLE BELIEVE THAT, AT MINIMUM GOA SHOULD MAKE PUBLIC
STATEMENT AT HIGHEST LEVEL CONCERNING SITUATION SO THAT
ITS ACTION IS NOT VIEWED INTERNATIONALLY AS SNUB OF
SEATO.) RUSH

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